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SUBJECT: OAU MARKS NAMIBIA DAY

SUMMARY: ON OCCASION OF NAMIBIA DAY COMMEMORATING LAUNCH-  
ING OF ARMED STRUGGLE INSIDE NAMIBIA BY SOUTH WEST AFRICA  
PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION (SWAPO), ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN  
UNITY (OAU) ISSUED STATEMENT REITERATING ITS STAND. OAU  
STATEMENT DENOUNCED TURNHALLE TALKS, REJECTED "SO-CALLED  
WESTERN INITIATIVES" BY FIVE WESTERN POWERS, ISISTED ON  
IMPLEMENTATION OF UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 385 CALL-  
ING FOR DIRECT ELECTIONS, URGED ALL NATIONS GENUINELY COM-  
MITTED TO LIBERATION OF NAMIBIA TO EXTEND ASSISTANCE TO  
SWAPO, ASSERTED SWAPO'S SEVEN CONDITIONS MUST BE ACCEPTED  
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FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTION, AND INDICATED UNSHAKEN OAU SUPPORT FOR  
SWAPO AS ONLY TRUE REPRESENTATIVE OF NAMIBIA. END SUMMARY.

1. IN REJECTING WESTERN INITIATIVES ON NAMIBIA, OAU STATE-  
MENT ISSUED AUG 25 CLAIMED CHIEF MOTIVATION OF FIVE-POWER  
INITIATIVES IS DESIRE TO IMPOSE NEOCOLONIALIST SYSTEM UPON  
NAMIBIA AND THUS ENSURE CONTINUED EXPLOITATION OF TERRITORY'S

NATURAL RESOURCES BY FOREIGN POWERS. INITIATIVES CHARACTERIZED AS DEVIOUS ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN OAU AND SWAPO INSISTENCE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF UN SECURITY COUNCIL RES. 385. AS LONG AS RESOLUTION NOT IMPLEMENTED, OAU DUTY-BOUND TO CONTINUE CALL FOR INTENSIFIED ARMED STRUGGLE.

2. IN STRONG AFFIRMATION OF OAU SUPPORT FOR SWAPO, STATEMENT APPEALED FOR ALL FINANCIAL, MATERIAL, MORAL, AND POLITICAL ASSISTANCE TO BE EXTENDED TO SWAPO AND REPEATED SWAPO'S SEVEN CONDITIONS FOR PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT. CONDITIONS LISTED WERE: SOUTH AFRICAN ACCEPTANCE OF NAMIBIAN SELF-DETERMINATION AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE, RESPECT FOR NAMIBIAN TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, WITHDRAWAL OF S. AFRICAN "OCCUPATION" FORCES, RELEASE OF ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS, RECOGNITION OF SWAPO AS SOLE REPRESENTATIVE OF NAMIBIAN PEOPLE, CONSTITUTIONAL TALKS BETWEEN SWAPO AND S. AFRICA UNDER UN CHAIRMANSHIP, AND DIRECT ELECTIONS UNDER INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF UN COUNCIL FOR NAMIBIA. OAU STATEMENT WARNED THAT FAILURE TO IMPLEMENT ABOVE CONDITIONS WOULD MEAN INTENSIFICATION OF ARMED STRUGGLE BY SWAPO.

3. COMMENT: DESPITE SOME PROGRESS ON NAMIBIA ISSUE THROUGH INITIATIVE OF FIVE WESTERN POWERS, OAU APPEARS DISSATISFIED BY EFFORTS TO DATE IN FURTHERING NAMIBIAN INDEPENDENCE. STATEMENT RECONFIRMS OAU POSITION PREDATING INITIATIVES AND REAFFIRMS SUPPORT FOR SWAPO AS SOLE REPRESENTATIVE OF NAMIBIAN PEOPLE.

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